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SUBJECT: IAEA/NEA INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON EXPLORATION OF
URANIUM ORE DEPOSITS, MEXICO CITY, MAR 29-APR 2, 1976

REF: MEXICO 2386

1. AGENCY SECRETARIAT CONFIRMS GLOOMY OUTLOOK REPORTED
REFTEL THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE NO RPT NO GIVE AT
ALL BY GOM ON QUESTION OF ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO
SOUTH AFRICAN PARTICIPANTS.

2. IN EFFORT TO SALVAGE SOMETHING, INEN
DIRECTOR ALBA REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED TO DG THAT TWO OR
THREE SOUTH AFRICANS ATTENDING AS "AGENCY
CONSULTANTS" MIGHT STAND BETTER CHANCE OF GETTING
VISAS, BUT SOUTH AFRICA HAS STRONGLY REJECTED THIS
APPROACH.

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3. IT THUS APPEARS HIGHLY LIKELY THAT SYMPOSIUM
WILL BE CANCELLED IN MEXICO AND MOVED TO IAEA
HEADQUARTERS IN VIENNA. THIS DECISION WILL
PROBABLY BE MADE ON MONDAY, MARCH 1.

4. FYI. SECRETARIAT SOURCE REVEALED THAT THEY
HAD RECENTLY RECEIVED SEPARATE QUERIES FROM GDR,
CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND POLAND AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD
REALLY BE NECESSARY FOR THEM TO ISSUE VISAS TO
CHILEANS, ISRAELIS AND SOUTH AFRICANS DESIRING TO
ATTEND AGENCY SYMPOSIA HELD IN THEIR RESPECTIVE
COUNTRIES. IT IS CLEAR, THEREFORE, THAT
AGENCY MUST CONTINUE TO STICK TO ITS GUNS IN
ORDER TO AVOID BREAKDOWN OF ITS PROGRAM OF
SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIA AND CONFERENCES. END FYI.
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